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SUBJECT: PRESS RELEASE ON SEATO SEC GEN AND DEPUTY SEC GEN

ALL MEMBER GOVERNMENTS HAVE APPROVED THE PHILIPPINE NOMINATION OF COMMODORE RACHEL R. CRUZ AS REPLACEMENT FOR THE INCUMBENT DEPUTY SEC GEN, BRIGADIER GENERAL ANTONIO VENADAS.

WE ANTICIPATE THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF THIS APPOINTMENT AND THE TWO YEAR EXTENSION OF SECRETARY-GENERAL SUTHORN HONGLADAROM TO BE COMBINED IN A JOINT PRESS RELEASE FROM SEATO HEADQUARTERS IN BANGKOK WITHIN THE NEXT TEN DAYS.

WE WILL CONFIRM THE TIMING FOR THE ANNOUNCEMENT IN ADVANCE OF ITS RELEASE. FOLLOWING IS THE TEXT OF THE PROPOSED PRESS RELEASE. BENIN QUOTE.

"THE SEATO COUNCIL OF MINISTERS HAVE EXTENDED THE APPOINTMENT OF HIS EXCELLENCY MR. SUNTHORN HONGLADAROM AS SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE ORGANIZATION FOR A FURTHER TERM OF TWO YEARS BEGINNING 4 SEPTEMBER 1975. THE ANNOUNCEMENT WAS MADE TODAY BY SEATO HEADQUARTERS IN BANGKOK.

"IT WAS ALSO ANNOUNCED THAT COMMODORE RACHEL R. CRUZ,  
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ARMED FORCES OF THE PHILIPPINES (AFP), HAS BEEN APPOINTED

AS DEPUTY SECRETARY-GENERAL FOR A TWO YEAR TERM.  
COMMODORE CRUZ, WHO IS EXPECTED TO ARRIVE IN  
BANGKOK SHORTLY, WILL SUCCEED BRIGADIER GENERAL ANTONIO  
N. VENADAS, AFP, WHO IS RETURNING TO THE PHILIPPINES  
ON COMPLETION OF HIS TOUR OF DUTY AT SEATO." UNQUOTE.  
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